

WEEKLY NEWS

Trinity Methodist Church Woking

Leadership notes

Last week, I met an old friend in Salisbury, which is usually easy to reach by train. Getting home, however, was another matter. First, my train was announced as 25 minutes late. Then we were told it would no longer stop at Woking. Fortunately, a slower train—also delayed—was due to stop there, so I thought that would be fine, even if it took a little longer. But when we reached Basingstoke, an announcement said that train would now go straight to Waterloo. There was then a mad rush to get off and change platforms for the very slow stopping train to Woking. I got home in the end, but instead of waiting for the bus in Woking I treated myself to a taxi!

Life can be a bit like this, you think you know where you are going and how you will get there, but then the Lord has other plans and He leads you on different paths, which maybe more difficult than you want. It can be hard to accept (as I have had to do) that sometimes you need to be on the slow train. The Lord had other plans for Pearl, who was our new steward, as she has headed home to South Africa to be with her family. We send her our love and best wishes for her new life there and thank her for the time she spent at Trinity.

Psalm 23 The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for His name's sake.

Jean Normington Senior Steward & Circuit Steward

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Forthcoming Services

Sunday 16 August 2026

Morning Worship

led by

Rev Barrie Tabraham

at 10.30 am

Foundry Worship at

6.00pm

Sunday 23 August 2026

Morning Worship

led by

Rev Sam Funnell

at 10.30 am



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**TRINITY
NEWS
& VIEWS**

I am planning the next issue of TNV for publication in mid/late September. Please submit (preferably to tnv@trinitywoking.org) any items – reports, stories, poems, photographs (anything of interest!) - by the deadline of Sunday 13 September.
Thanks, David Lander

Foundry Worship, Sunday 16th at 6pm

This week Foundry Worship will be led by Dave Ingoldby. His theme is "Christian Action". As a response to Jesus' teaching, what does this mean for us today? An interesting and challenging topic!

We will start with refreshments at 5.45pm before Worship starts at 6pm. Our band will lead a time of praise and the service will include a time of sharing thoughts, ideas and experiences on the theme.

We hope to be able to welcome you to our service this Sunday.

Hugh Bowerman, Foundry Pastor



Woking Prayer Network

Woking Prayer Network will be meeting at New Life Church in Kingfield on 17th August. Any members of Trinity Methodist Church who would like to attend are very welcome to join the group, especially as they will be praying for our church that evening as part of their prayers for the town. The meeting will be from 8:00pm to 9:30pm. The full address is:
New Life Church Woking, High Street, Woking, GU22 9BX.



Trinity Prayer Group

You are welcome to join the Prayer group at 10am on Friday 21st August. We will meet in the sanctuary at 10am.

Work on the prayer room is progressing, many thanks to those involved in the decorating.

*“May the Lord protect, guide and inspire us as we journey onwards.
Fill us with His peace, wisdom and unending grace. Amen.”*



Can you help?

Junior Church

Would you be able to help in Junior Church on a Sunday morning? It would be really helpful to have a few more volunteers. No experience needed or requirements to plan, organise or lead – just a willingness to be present if needed and to join in. Unless we have two people present to maintain our safeguarding commitments, we are not able to hold Junior Church, so having a helper each week is vital. Please speak to Helen Bowerman if this is something you could help with – even on an occasional basis.





Our next **Neighbourhood Party** is on Saturday 10th October. Planning is well under way. First Aid cover is normally provided by our guiders. This year the party clashes with a guiding event. We therefore need to find someone with a current first aid qualification who can be at the party. If that's you, or you know someone who has a first aid certificate, could you let Pauline Robson or me know

Whilst on the subject, it would be useful if Trinity had a few more people around who have a current first aid certificate. The intention is not to put people on a rota or anything like that, but just to have a number of us who know what current first aid practice is. Perhaps we could run a training session at Trinity for half a dozen or so. If I recall, the training is both interesting and can be quite fun. If you'd be interested, can you let a member of the LT know?

Hugh Bowerman



**Old Drum Kit
looking for new
home**

As you may have noticed, we have a shiny new electric drum kit, thanks to our friends in the Chinese congregation. The old drum kit is now gathering dust in a cupboard.

Please let me know if you think of anyone/any organisations who might like to have it.

Thanks, Graham Kirby-Smith



Dementia training for unpaid carers in Woking

To be held at Woking Library, Gloucester Walk, Woking, GU21 6EP from 11am to 12pm on Wednesdays on the following dates:

- 2 September: Introduction to dementia
- 9 September: Managing behaviours of concern
- 23 September: Falls prevention
- 30 September: Nutrition and hydration
- 7 October: Support with personal care
- 14 October: Carer Wellbeing
- 21 October: Financial advice and support
- 28 October: Advanced dementia care
- 4 November: Technology in care

To book a place on any of the sessions listed please email:
communitiesandpreventionprojects@surreycc.gov.uk

Call: 0300 200 1005

Text: 07527 182 861 (for deaf or hard of hearing)

The link to the library events page:

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/libraries/your-library/find-your-nearest/woking/events-and-activities>



COFFEE MORNING



AND SALE

IN AID OF

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KENT SURREY SUSSEX
Registered Charity No: 1021367



There will be various stalls including:
Cakes, Guess the Weight of the Cake, Raffle, Tombola, Guess the Name of Teddy, Guess How Many Sweets in the Jar, Model Railway, & Bric-a-Brac.
Offers of help and donations of items welcome! Contact Tarina Berry

To be opened by **Cllr Saj Hussain**

KNAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH HALL

Saturday 5th September 2026

10am to Noon

www.knaphillmethodist.co.uk



Bacon Butties!

TEA
COFFEE
BISCUITS
BACON BUTTIES

Please note: Send any articles for this newsletter to be with the editor
by **12 noon on the Wednesday before that Sunday's issue.**
Email address - newsletter@trinitywoking.org

Trinity Walk

The Trinity Walk took place on Saturday, 8 August 2026, with nine walkers from Trinity and Foundry taking part. We began at Sheepleas in West Horsley and followed a seven-mile woodland route along the Lovelace Bridges Trail.

The Lovelace bridges were constructed in the 1860s on the orders of Lord Lovelace, owner of the East Horsley estate and Lord Lieutenant of Surrey. Their purpose was to enable timber extraction from the North Downs by creating smooth gradients and allowing transport routes to pass above existing roads and footpaths. Ten of the original bridges remain, and the locations of the others can still be identified by the embankments leading up to them and by remnants of masonry, flint, and brickwork.

We stopped for lunch in a beautiful meadow with panoramic views. Given the heat, we were grateful that most of the walk was shaded by woodland. The route was undulating, with some steep sections, making the seven miles feel considerably longer than the same distance on level ground. Nevertheless, everyone completed the walk, which took around four and a half hours including a one-hour lunch break.

I hope to organise another walk in the autumn, ideally one that is slightly less challenging! So you've got plenty of time to get those walking boots cleaned and polished for our next outing!

Mike Cope



Our August coffee donation charity is **Transforming Lives for Good (TLG)**



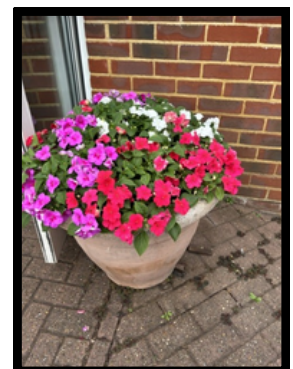
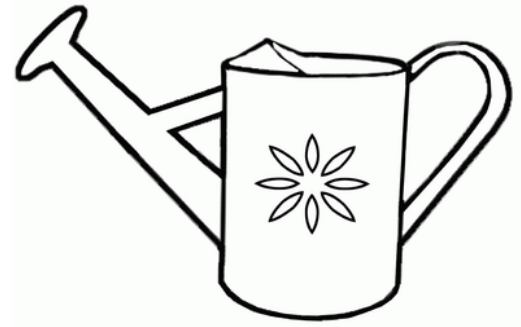
TLG is a Christian charity supporting children with their emotional and mental wellbeing. One in five children and young people are experiencing mental health difficulties. **TLG** equips local churches with proven

programmes, resources and ongoing training- so they can provide meaningful, therapeutic care to children and families going through a tough time.

TLG Early Intervention programmes equip volunteers from churches to go into their local schools and provide one-to-one coaching for children finding it hard to cope - sharing fun with them, listening to them and showing them that somebody cares about them. They also train and resource church-based spaces offering counselling to children and families; and church-run clubs for children and families to share community, belonging and meals that matter. The transformational impact of this consistent trauma-informed approach is immeasurable.

All money donated for refreshments and coffee in August will be given to Transforming Lives for Good

More information can be found at
www.tlg.org.uk



This is a plea to anyone visiting Trinity during the week to water the large plant pots such as the ones pictured above. The plants will really appreciate a drink in this hot weather.

The watering can is on the draining board in the Flower Room (*please return after use*) and you can use the outside taps at the sides of the church. One of the taps is near where the traffic cones are stored.

If the sun is shining it is strongly recommended to water the soil rather than the leaves and flowers.

Many many thanks from the Gardening Team